

Skatepark Advisory Task Force #6

Meeting Summary

9/21/2006

Task Force Members Present: *Joe Bell, George Blomberg, John Carr, Susanne Friedman, Matt Johnston, Jeanne Krikawa, Christine Larsen, Joyce Moty, Scott Shinn*

Task Force Members Absent: *Jelani Jackson, Nin Troung*

Guests: *Laura Weigel, Steve Arai*

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

One public comment from Ryan Barth who said "The task force is doing a good job."

SCHEDULE UPDATE (Susanne Friedman)

Public Meetings are rescheduled for the following dates:

Garfield Community Center Monday, Oct. 2, 6:30 – 8:30

Delridge Community Center Thursday, Oct. 5, 6:30 – 8:30

Northgate Community Center Saturday, Oct. 7, 6:30 – 8:30

60,000 flyers were mailed to all residents who live within a broad circle of 300 feet of the sites under consideration. Signs were also posted at all the sites with the exception of the reservoir sites, which are owned by Seattle Public Utilities.

Taskforce Meetings

Next Task Force meeting moved to Oct. 12

Final Task Force meeting date to be determined

Other Meetings

Park Board Interim Briefing Nov. 9

Pell Committee Dec. 6

Park Board Full Briefing and Public Hearing Dec. 14

Park Board Recommendations to Parks Superintendent January 11

DISTRICT COUNCIL UPDATES (Various Task Force Members)

Task Force members are in the process of attending District Council meetings and discussing the citywide skatepark plan.

SW District

- Primary comments supportive

Magnolia

- Some concern for graffiti
- Comments mostly positive/supportive

Capitol Hill Stewardship

- Supportive of covered skateparks
- Some concerns about conflict with other user groups at parks where other activities occur

Judkins Park

- Primarily supportive

Central District

Needs to be rescheduled

City-Wide Neighborhood Council

- CD neighborhood council – To Be Scheduled
- Pike-Pine neighborhood council – To Be Scheduled
- Downtown neighborhood council – To Be Scheduled

South Lake Union

- Some negative comments
- Eastlake/Allison

SE District Council

Needs to be rescheduled

Capitol Hill No Functioning District Council

Ballard District Council

To Be Scheduled

Public Outreach (Susanne Friedman)

- Prior to the first series of public meetings Parks and members of the Task Force spoke with a number of press outlets about the citywide planning process and quite a bit of press coverage was received. The Task Force discussed possible follow-up opportunities and volunteered to contact the media again. SW calendar + guest piece

Power Point Presentation and Materials Review for 2nd Series of Public Meetings (Laura Weigel)

Ms. Weigel ran through a draft of the power point presentation for the second series of public meetings scheduled for October to get feedback on presentation materials. She also outlined the format of the meetings, which are to be structured similar to the first series of meetings and is as follows:

- 15 minutes at the beginning of the meeting for people to peruse the information at each of the stations

- 5 minutes for Introductions

- 20 minute Power Point Presentation

- 30-45 Minutes for Question and Answer Session

- 45 minutes for an Open House type discussion with Task Force representatives at stations set up around the room. There will be six stations providing information by city sector including: a sector map of the sites under consideration, site images and site characteristics. People will have the opportunity to ask site specific questions, have an in-depth discussion with Task Force members and have their thoughts and opinions recorded. Approximately 10 additional boards, including the framework of assumptions, site criteria and site visit information, will also be set up around the room for folks to peruse.

This format was successful during the first series of public meetings and offers the best opportunity to hear and discuss ideas with the largest number of people.